VI. MATCH REQUIREMENTS

As a condition of receiving grant funds from the CCG Program, grantees must match a portion of their grant funds with either dollar or measurable in-kind contributions. The match must come from nongovernmental sources. Therefore, public agency applicants must obtain the required match from private sources. Likewise, non-profit community-based applicants may not use other government/public source funds or in-kind contributions to meet the match requirement.

CCG Program statutes requires that projects provide a match that must not be less than 10 percent of the amount requested for the first year of the grant, not less than 15 percent for the second year of the grant, and not less than 20 percent for the third year of the grant and all subsequent years. If a currently funded CCG project receives an award to continue the project into FY 1999-2000 and beyond, it will be required to maintain its in-kind support level at the 20 percent match level throughout the entire grant term.

The purpose of the match requirement is to encourage grantees to secure ongoing commitments of funds and resources from community agencies and businesses to support their projects. The increase of the match percentage during each period of the grant term allows grantees to obtain a progressively larger commitment of community funds and resources for their projects to help decrease their dependence on state grant funds for ongoing project support.

The following list provides examples of allowable in-kind contributions. The value of these items, and others that the applicant may propose, may be used to meet the match requirement:

- Incentives for project participants (i.e., refreshments, meals, tee-shirts, music discs, awards) funded or donated by private sources.
- Volunteer or staff time calculated at a reasonable rate based upon the knowledge and skills provided.
- Donated equipment and furniture which has a reasonable value.
- Donations of funds or supplies from private sources.
- Private foundation grants or funds.
- Curricula or materials developed with private funds.
- Public service announcements (PSAs) from broadcast agencies.
- Transportation for clients.
- Rent.